

NEWSLETTER 20 – 8th February 2019

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

Disaster Topic – Children in Year 3 and 4 have been researching the Nepalese earthquake of 2015. They have found out the scientific reasons for the disaster and how it has affected life in the local communities.

Health Questionnaire – Children in Year 6 have completed a health questionnaire this week with staff from the Compass School Health Team. The survey collects data from schools across the country and informs future health policy.

School Safety – From Monday a number of new safety barriers will be in place in the school driveway to slow traffic and help to alleviate the parking problem. I would like to remind parents once again not to park on the grassed area in front of school and on the double yellow lines. Permanent bollards are being installed on the edge of the pavement and grassed areas to prevent this unauthorized parking. As I have explained on numerous occasions, I am concerned about the safety of the children and other pedestrians. **There is plenty of car parking space available only a short walk away in the car park by the Fire Station.**

School Milk – If your child receives income based free school meals, they are also eligible to receive free school milk. Please contact the office if you would like your child to receive milk.

Clubs Update –

- There is no Boys Football on Thurs 28th Feb.
- Country Dancing for children in Year 3 & 4 will start on Mon 25th Feb.
- Tchoukball will finish on Thurs 14th Feb. Details for the sessions after half term will be confirmed next week.
- Netball Club for children in Years 5 & 6 will on Thurs 28th Feb.

Letters are available from the office.

Dates for your Diary:

- *Phonics and End of Year Expectations* - Miss Hickman will be holding a session for parents of Year 1 children on Wed 13th Feb. It will be held in the hall at 2.30pm.
- *Bags to School* will be collected during the morning of Wed 27th Feb. Please bring in bags on Tues 26th in the afternoon or on Weds 27th in the morning by 9am.
- There will be a *Teacher Training Day* on Fri 24th May.

Book of the Week – Children in Mrs Hudson's class have been reading 'Penguin's Progress' by Jill Tomlinson. Otto is a penguin chick and he lives with lots of other penguins in the snow of Antarctica. But Otto is different from all the other chicks he knows - he is the "first chick", so it is his job to look after all the younger ones as they grow up.....

Mr A Simms

Some dates for your diary!

School Disco: Friday 8th March

Reception disco will be within the school day.
KS1 and KS2 times to be confirmed. Tickets on sale nearer the date

Non Uniform Day: Friday 22nd March

Wear your own clothes to school in return for a donation of anything chocolate! From a chocolate bar to a box of chocolates, all is welcome! (If you prefer not to give chocolate then a £1 donation is fine)

Family Chocolate Bingo: Friday 5th April

Come and play Bingo with your family. Have a Hot Dog or Not Dog at half time and be in with the chance of winning all things Chocolate! – Tickets on sale nearer the date.

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